

REMARKS

In response to the Office Action mailed August 25, 2004 (Paper No. 11), Applicant hereby provisionally elects claims 1, 2, 4, and 12-26 (corresponding to Species III, illustrated in Figs. 8 and 9) for continued examination with traverse.

Applicant traverses the Examiner's characterization that no claims are generic, and respectfully submits that each of claims 1, 2, 4 and 14-26 are generic with respect to Species I (corresponding to Figs. 3 and 4), Species II (corresponding to Figs. 5 and 6) and Species III (corresponding to Figs. 8 and 9). The limitations found in the elected generic claims read on the elements illustrated in Fig. 3 (i.e., the moving picture encoding section, the block significance determining section, the map generator, and the adaptive refresh signal generator), and these same elements are also illustrated in Figs. 5 and 8. Therefore, the limitations of the elected claims 1, 2, 4 and 14-26 read on Species I, II and III, and are thus generic.

Applicant submits herewith changes to the specification and drawings in order to correct an error contained therein. Specifically, the Block Significance Determining Section 2' illustrated in Figs. 5 and 6 contain additional elements not contained in the Block Significance Determining Section 2 illustrated in Figs. 3, 4 and 8. Specifically, Block Significance Determining Section 2' as illustrated in Fig. 6 contains additional elements 34-39 that are not contained in Block Significance Determining Section 2 as illustrated in Fig. 4. Elements 29 and 30 are common elements to both Block Significance Determining Sections 2 and 2'. Accordingly, Applicant has amended the Specification at page 16 as well

as Figs. 5 and 6 to correct this error. These amendments to Figs. 5 and 6 and to the Specification add no new matter. Entry of these amendments is respectfully requested.

Early examination and allowance of the application is earnestly requested.

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